FISCAL NOTE

SB 2763 - HB 3055

February 15, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires that contracts between managed care organizations and providers allow any provider to request a copy of coding guidelines, payment processes and fee schedules used under the contract. The provider may also request information about the software used by the MCO's for bundling and unbundling claims. The information is to be provided within 30 days of request. The MCO is to provide notice of material changes to the coding guidelines not later than 60 days before the changes take place. Allows contract termination by the provider within 30 days of receipt of such information. The use of the information by a provider is limited and the Department of Commerce and Insurance may fine a provider up to \$1,000 for a violation. The bill does not apply to TennCare.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Increase State Revenues - Not Significant

Estimate assumes any increase in expenditures in the Department of Commerce and Insurance to enforce the provisions of the bill or any revenues resulting from fines will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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